Colonel Little's
Valley of the Moon
PROGRESS

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Springlike March Is Ripe

We're rapidly getting in the big city class—but not in the most desirable manner. Now we've had a combined burglary and kidnapping, and it's not good. The crime was solved in record time.

Absolutely perfect weather for a change this last week. Balmy breezes, bright sunshine, just enough moisture in the ground to make the little flowers ready to pop up and around. Did you note the absence of any verbs in the last two sentences? But who cares —spring is here!

There is much physical progress in the Valley, with more in the offing. New medical building is nearing completion, at least two and maybe three motels are to be ready by summer, while some big real estate deals insure more—much more —a little later.

One may drive around the area, too, and see new homes going up. Why don't you someday sit down and list the business houses that were here say 10 years ago and now. You'd be surprised. The vacant lots in the downtown central portion of the Springs are rapidly being filled up.

Every wife would be well-to-do if the pay were as steady as the work

VALLEY JEWELERS
On the Hiway Boyes Springs

People ask us how's our campaign going for the office of fire commissioner (election April 6) and we have to tell 'em we really don't know. In-

asmuch as we're not running very hard in the first place, maybe it's actually going along all right. Did hear that in cases of contests quite a sizeable vote turns out for the contest.

"But if you get elected, colonel," one asked, "how you going to tell the difference between a fire truck and a school bus?" That's easy. One is yellow and is longer than the other. No problem. In addition we're a fairly shrewd buyer, have a modicum of common sense, and should be able to do a good job—if and when.

And after that? Who knows? There's supervisor, state assemblyman, governor, senator and president. If only we were 20 years younger!

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It's going to take most of the summer, but Chef Cardini of Glen Ellen says it'll be worth it. The Cardinis own the building next to their restaurant, recently occupied by the Pink Barn and then a book store, now closed.

Cardini will open up a huge archway between the new building and the old (one of the oldest in Glen Ellen) and convert the added space into an air-conditionel and soundproof banquet room, with seating capacity of about 150. The Chef expects the new facility to be ready for the big fall conventions and meetings, and his banquet room will be a distinct and welcome addition to the Valley's many attractions.

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Our little Pat, a female black and white cocker (almost) has a habit of going out to her own private preserve in the back yard and bringing in baby earwigs to play with. Horrible things. But now she's on a rope—partly because they're building a house next door, and if she runs loose she might get out on the highway and get killed. And again, she's almost 7 months old, and we're told that's a critical time for a little dog.

And the other part-reason: Should she be spayed before having puppies or afterward? Or should we keep her in the house for a coupla weeks just to be sure no accidents hap-

pen? Some of you dog experts (we know there's many right here) might tell us the answers.

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Honestly we had some mighty wild plans of possible things to do here when we returned from the Sequoia foothills last fall. Included were the raising of peacocks, guinea hens, Mexican burros, prize setting eggs, brown eating eggs, a swanky picnic place—and suchlike. So what are we doing? Returned to our first love, the only business we know much of anything about, running a weekly newspaper. And how're we doin'?

Talking with Sam Castori up at the Electronic Drive-In the other day, he told us the shop is about to offer the public a "package deal" on radio and television repairs — something like a complete checkup of your set, installing needed new parts, and returning set to you all ready for the big spring and summer season. He says the user can save $6 or more on most such jobs. Talk it over with Electronic.

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Noted around town are many flowering trees and shrubs in bloom — acacias, peaches, japanese quince, plums. Many of the spring-flowering bulbs are showing themselves, too. Isn't it a glorious season?

Phil Provenzano of Mendel's cafe, Boyes plaza, is able to serve a bit each day now at the tavern - restaurant. He's recovered from a pretty rough time with pneumonia and such, and his friends are all glad to see him back on the job.

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Here's an unusual story — and it's vouched for as authentic by Chef Cardini himself. Fellow came into the restaurant, using crutches; he had just been released from hospital treatment. After several libations, in between and afterward, the man sang with gusto, did a little dance or two, and finally left, leaving his crutches behind. Hasn't picked them up yet.

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Our barber friend, Tony Hydar, had a sort of anniversary Sunday — he's been in business for nine years at his place on the highway. Tony actually has been in the Hot Springs area longer than that —he was over on the Boyes plaza for a year or two before moving. He's a mighty good workman, a pleasant, substantial citizen, and has a townful of friends.

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Ever eat mush and milk when you were a kid? 'Twasn't bad. And the leftover mush was even better the next morning, fried. For a time you could even get mush in rolls in some markets, to be sliced and fried. But the hot mush and cold milk were plenty good.

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A half dozen chairs and beds are available, some of them brand new. Many are on loan, but you'll find no waiting period if they're needed. See Ed Reedy, in charge of the project.

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Don't know who's the man to see (we're governed from Santa Rosa, you know) but somebody should "do something" about the remains of the plywood factory fire some months back. The skeletons of burned buildings remain as they were following the fire—an eyesore that certainly doesn't enhance any of our claims to scenic beauty. Surely there's a way to get the thing cleaned up.

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When a pro basketball game ends up with a score of 176 to 148, it's hardly basketball any more. It's all basket shooting, like the kids' play with a basket on the garage door. No defense at all. How'd you like your baseball games to show scores of 63 to 47, or football games 98 to 39? You wouldn't pay your money to see them.

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A warning against five common but poisonous plants that grow in many parts of California was recently issued by the Los Angeles health department.

Serious illness and/or death can result from chewing the berries or leaves of the castor bean plant and the oleander.

The warning was also issued against the use for food of mushrooms which usually spring up after a rain. These are frequently deadly and are usually of a poisonous variety.

Poison oak is also prevalent and can cause severe rashes in persons who come in contact with it.

The foxglove should also be shunned, as its leaves contain digitalis, a powerful heart medicine harmful to a healthy heart.

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An older brother also got a book; it had a white western horse as its hero. Of course we all read both books, but what's a western doing in the same class with a history book?

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